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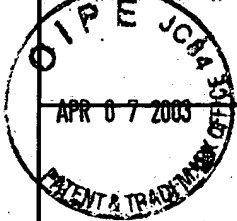
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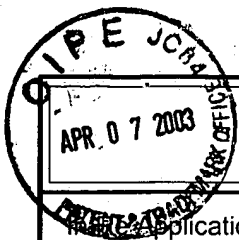
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

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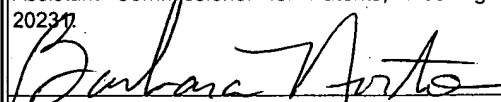
  
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The following is in response to a second, non-final office action dated 2/28/2003.

IN THE CLAIMS

A set of all claims currently and previously pending in the present application is attached with the status of each claim indicated in accordance with the Revised Format of Amendments to Claims, as set forth in proposed changes to rule 37 CFR 2.121.